

Oregon Native Turtle Conservation Forum

March 20, 2009

8:30 am to 4:30 pm / Oregon Zoo Banquet Center

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Researchers, land managers, organizations that work with private landowners, conservation groups and citizen scientists interested in western pond and western painted turtle issues and opportunities in Oregon.

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES :

- ***Provide a forum for biologists, managers and citizens to share information on native turtle distribution, populations and status; protocols; and projects.***
- ***Facilitate discussions of priorities and methods for turtle habitat conservation, restoration and management.***
- ***Encourage future information-sharing, partnerships and coordinated approaches for grant opportunities.***

THE PROGRAM :

The morning will focus primarily on turtle research, including a statewide synthesis of previously conducted work. Discussions will include prioritization of research and how existing and future research can make conservation assessments more robust.

The afternoon will focus on turtle management implications, including habitat protection, education and awareness, existing regulations and land-use policies, potential management incentives and opportunities for coordinated funding.

The day ends with post-session “basking” and a no-host bar.

REGISTER NOW

More information about Oregon’s native turtles: www.oregonturtles.com

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Registration

Name: _____ Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

Day Phone: _____ Cell/Other: _____

☐ I would like to bring a poster to share

Cost is \$24, which includes lunch

☐ I prefer vegetarian fare

*****Registration form must be received by March 10 to ensure lunch order.**

Make check payable to **Oregon Zoo**. Visa, MasterCard, AmEx and Discover are accepted.

Account No. _____ Expiration Date _____ Security Code _____

Signature _____

Please fax your registration to Education Registration: (503) 220-5712
or mail your registration to:

Oregon Native Turtle Workshop

Attn: Education Registration

4001 SW Canyon Road

Portland, OR 97221

Questionnaire

What are your areas of interest and/or expertise with turtles?

Geographic area/s of interest:

☐ Northwestern Oregon ☐ Southwestern Oregon ☐ Washington ☐ California ☐ Rangewide

Do you have native/non-native turtle location or population data you are willing to share?

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Agenda

- 8:30 am Welcome – Tony Vecchio, Oregon Zoo Director
- 8:35 am Setting the Scene – Audrey Hatch, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- 8:45 am What Do We Really Know About Oregon's Native Turtles? Past, Current and Future Research
Dan Rosenberg, Oregon Wildlife Institute and OSU
- 9:45 am Perceptions of Turtle Populations in Oregon: Distribution, Abundance and Life History
R.B. Bury and G.W. Bury, U.S. Geological Survey, Forest and Rangeland Ecosystem Science Center
- 10:30 am Break
- 10:45 am Activity Patterns: Movement and Dispersal
Sue Beilke, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- 11:30 am Oregon Zoo and Recovery Implementation in Washington
David Shepherdson, Oregon Zoo
- Noon Buffet lunch
- 12:15 pm Turtle Stories: From the Frontlines
Susan Barnes, ODFW
- 12:45 pm Break
- 1:00 pm Panel Discussion: Managing Land and Conserving Turtles—Challenge and Opportunity
Facilitated by Tony Faast, USFWS
Steve Smith, USFWS, Willamette Valley Refuge – private land incentive programs
Larry Devroy, Port of Portland – mitigation banking
Elaine Stewart, Metro – managing human disturbance; land use regulations
Lauri Mullen, City of Eugene – habitat restoration; invasive species management
- 2:30 pm Break
- 2:45 pm Advancing Statewide Coordination: Identifying Solutions and Opportunities
Facilitated breakout discussions to determine next steps
- 4:00 pm Wrap up
- 4:30 pm Turtle Talk and Basking Time
- No-host bar, refreshments
 - Posters
 - Opportunity to gather in small groups to focus on solutions and opportunities

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